



District Affiliations Within Approved BTSA Induction Programs

Within consortia induction programs, occasionally a partner decides to join or leave the consortium. Any change in the districts or partners participating in the approved BTSA Induction Program is a modification. If the change in district(s) or partner(s) causes a major change in the program design, then it is a major modification. If the change in district(s) or partner(s) joining or leaving the consortium causes little to no change in the program design, then the modification is minor. Each approved program will work with the local Cluster Regional Directors (CRDs) to reach consensus on the type of modification.

District Leaving a Consortium:

If a district or partner plans to leave a consortium, the sponsoring Local Educational Agency (LEA) must be notified, in writing with a copy to the Cluster Regional Directors (CRDs) for the geographical area in which they are located, by the following dates of the year prior to the change:

October 1st for partners sponsoring a new program submission
or
February 15th for partners joining another approved program.

If the above dates are met, the sponsoring LEA must accept the change in partnership. The district leaving a consortium must include a plan for transitioning second year teachers in the written notification.

If the written notification takes place after October 1st for new sponsoring programs or after February 15th for partners joining an approved program, the sponsoring LEA must agree to the change in consortia membership for it to take place the next year. This is to protect LEAs that have contractual obligations to certificated staff.

Consortium Severing a Partnership with a District:

If a sponsoring LEA wishes to 'unpartner' with a district or partner AND notifies the district or partner, in writing with a copy to the CRDs for their geographical area, on or before February 15th of the year prior to the change, the sponsoring LEA may decide to sever the partnership unilaterally. It is the hope that all programs will work with partners and communicate in a timely manner, but if a unilateral decision must be made, the information must be communicated to the current partner by February 15th of the year prior to the change.